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Atty Docket No: **HOPE-P001**

Client Ref:

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

HOPE *et al.*

Application No: 09/382,088

Filed: August 24, 1999

**Title: COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS
FOR PROTECTING ORGANS, TISSUE AND
CELLS FROM IMMUNE SYSTEM-
MEDIATED DAMAGE**

Examiner: **GERALD R. EWOLDT**

Art Unit: **1644**

Confirmation No: **4793**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated April 10, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. A Notice of Appeal with appropriate extensions was filed on October 10, 2006. Accordingly, the following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period of response for five months;
- 2) A Request for Continued Examination (RCE); and
- 3) A request for Change of Correspondence Address.

Please amend the specification and/or claims as shown herein.